

Approved Plant List

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| LARGE TREES | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Arizona Cypress <i>Cupressus arizonica</i> | 2 | 25-50' | 25-50' | Sun | E | | Blue-silver foliage | L | Prune for shape only | | | | Triangular shaped foliage; well suited to limestone soils; attractive peeling red bark; some disease problems |
| Big Tooth Maple <i>Acer grandidentatum</i> | 1 | 20-30' | 20-30' | Sun/ part shade | D | | Red and gold fall foliage | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy. | ✓+ | | | Needs good soil depth; outstanding fall color |
| Cherry Laurel <i>Prunus caroliniana</i> | 2 | 25'-30' | 15-25' | Sun/part shade | E | | Dark green foliage | M | Prune for shape only and/or to raise canopy | ✓ | ✓ | | Screening plant, wildlife food; does not like hot, dry locations; requires deep soil and good drainage or is susceptible to chlorosis; too vigorous to use as a hedge |
| Chinese Pistache <i>Pistacia chinensis</i> | 2 | 25-40' | 25-40' | Sun | D | | Burgundy red fall foliage | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | | | | Compact when older; moderate growth rate; long-lived; can be invasive; tall and lanky when young, but fills out |
| Crape Myrtle <i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> | 2 | 4'-25' | 4'-20' | Sun | D | Summer | White, pink, lavender flowers; varied fall foliage | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy; do not chop tops! | | | | Showy flowers; choose mildew-resistant varieties, many of which are named after Native American tribes, e.g., Sioux, Hopi; trees need good air flow; note mature size when selecting variety |
| Cypress, Bald <i>Taxodium distichum</i> | 1 | 60-100' | 25-50+ | Sun/ part shade | D | | Copper leaves in fall | H | Pruning not necessary | ✓+ | | | Use western seed source only; requires deep, moist soil conditions and moisture; foliage dries up in dry, hot location |
| Eastern Walnut <i>Juglans nigra</i> | | 50' | 40' | sun | N | Fall | Varied leaves | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy. | | | | provides shade; edible nut; roots give off toxins |
| Elm, American <i>Ulmus americana</i> | | 50-80' | | sun/party shade | N | Fall | Varied leaves | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy. | * | | | Fast-growing, easily transplanted; will grow in many situations; shallow roots; weak wood; susceptible to Dutch Elm and other diseases and bugs |
| Elm, Cedar <i>Ulmus crassifolia</i> | 1 | 25-50' | 25-35' | Sun/ part shade | D | | Gold leaves in fall | L | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Upright form; adapted to rocky soils; can withstand heavy, poorly drained clay soils and soils that are moderately compacted; susceptible to powdery mildew |
| Elm, Lacebark <i>Ulmus parvifolia</i> | 2 | 30-40' | 30-40' | Sun | D | | | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy. | | | | Nearly evergreen; open spreading form; attractive exfoliating bark; drought tolerant; |
| Escarpment Black Cherry <i>Prunus serotina var. eximia</i> | 2 | 25-50' | to 25' | Sun | D | | Yellow fall foliage | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Fruit bearing, wildlife food; not for heavy, clay soils; foliage may be toxic and can be fatal if consumed; relatively short-lived |
| Honey Mesquite <i>Prosopis glandulosa</i> | 1 | 25'-30' | 25-30' | Sun | D | March-Sept. | Creamy white | L | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | 2-3" long blooms; bright green foliage and weeping shape; very slow growing; thorns; excellent nectar source |
| Italian Cypress <i>Cupressus sempervirens</i> | 2 | 25-30' | 10-15' | Sun | E | | Dark green foliage | M | | | | | Low maintenance specimen plant; requires well drained, alkaline soil and good air circulation; indicative of Italian gardens. |

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| Oak, Blackjack <i>Quercus marilandica</i> | 2 | 50' | 45' | Sun/part shade | D | | | L | Avoid pruning or injuring the bark from February 1 to June 1 to help prevent oak wilt | ✓ | | | Needs well drained soil |
| Oak, Bur <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> | 2 | 50'+ | 50'+ | Sun/part shade | D | | | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Large, majestic, very adaptable, needs lots of space; moderate growth rate; susceptible to powdery mildew |
| Oak, Chinquapin <i>Quercus muhlenbergii</i> | 1 | 50'+ | 25-50' | Sun/part shade | D | | | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Stately form; good for deeper soils; requires additional water until established; moderate growth rate |
| Oak, Durand <i>Quercus sinuata</i> | | to 90' | to 60' | sun | N | | | L | Prune for shape or to raise canopy. | * | | | likes hard limestone; solitary |
| Oak, Escarpment Live <i>Quercus fusiformis</i> | 1 | 30-40' | 40'+ | Sun/part shade | E | | | L | Avoid pruning or injuring the bark from February 1 to June 1 to help prevent oak wilt | ✓+ | | | Preferred Live Oak for shallow, limestone soils; oak wilt susceptible |
| Oak, Lacey <i>Quercus glaucooides</i> | 1 | 20-30' | 25' | Sun/part shade | D | | Bluish- green foliage | L | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | ✓+ | | | Ideal for small urban yards; slow growth; tolerates shallow, limestone soil |
| Oak, Southern Live <i>Quercus virginiana</i> | 2 | 30'-50' | 50'+ | Sun/part shade | E | | | L | Avoid pruning or injuring the bark from February 1 to June 1 to help prevent oak wilt | ✓ | ✓ | | Oak wilt susceptible; likes large open spaces; if you live west on shallow soil, use Escarpment Live Oak |
| Oak, Monterey (Mexican White) <i>Quercus polymorpha</i> | 1 | 30'-40' | | | E | | | L | Prune for shape only and/or to raise canopy | | | | Medium size leaves, handsome tree; prefers deep soil |
| Oak, Shumard <i>Quercus shumardii</i> | 2 | 50'+ | 50'+ | Sun | D | | Red foliage in fall | L | Avoid pruning or injuring the bark from February 1 to June 1 to help prevent oak wilt | ✓ | ✓ | | Deep, well drained soil; if you live west on shallow soil, use Texas Red Oak instead |
| Oak, Texas Red <i>Quercus texana</i> (<i>Quercus buckleyi</i>) | 1 | 25-50' | to 25' | Sun/part shade | D | | Bright red/ orange fall foliage | L | Avoid pruning or injuring the bark from February 1 to June 1 to help prevent oak wilt | ✓+ | ✓ | | Well adapted to rocky soils; susceptible to oak wilt; outstanding tree |
| Pecan <i>Carya illinoensis</i> | 2 | 50'+ | 50'+ | Sun | D | | | M | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Tall impressive tree; nut producing; for good, deep soils only; susceptible to disease and insects |
| Texas Ash <i>Fraxinus texensis</i> | 1 | 40'-50' | 40' | Sun/part shade | D | | | L | Prune for shape or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Fast-growing; only Ash appropriate for Austin area; foliage turns bronze/ yellow/mauve muted tones in fall |

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| SMALL TREES/LARGE SHRUBS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| American Smoke Tree <i>Cotinus obovatus</i> | 1 | 15' | 10-15' | Sun/ part shade | D | Mid- spring | Pink to purple cloud-like floral display | M | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | | ✓ | Prefers well drained, rocky limestone soils; plant facing north or east; does best with a break from the hot afternoon sun |
| Anacacho Orchid Tree <i>Bauhinia congesta</i> | 1 | 8-12' | 8-10' | Sun/ part shade | D | March- May | White or pale pink | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | | | | Prefers well drained soil; small, light green leaves look like cloven hooves |
| Carolina Buckthorn <i>Rhamnus caroliniana</i> | 1 | 12-15' | 15' | Sun/ part shade | D | | Yellow foliage in fall | ML | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Understory tree with glossy leaves, red berries for wildlife; needs moisture |
| Chitalpa <i>Chitalpa tashkentensis</i> | | 15-25' | | full sun | N | | Lavender, pink and white | M | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | | | | susceptible to Alternaria leaf spot, leaf blight, wilt and premature defoliation |
| Desert Willow <i>Chilopsis linearis</i> | 1 | 15-25' | 15-20' | Sun/ part shade | D | Spring to fall | White, pink or burgundy | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Trumpet-shaped, 3" long flower; need well-drained site; airy foliage casts a light shade for under-plantings |
| Eve's Necklace <i>Sophora affinis</i> | 1 | 10-15' | 10' | Sun/part shade | D | Spring | Pink | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | 4 - 6" drooping clusters; will tolerate poorly drained, clay soils; good nectar plant |
| Flameleaf Sumac <i>Rhus copallina</i> | 1 | 10'-20' | 10-15' | Sun/part shade | D | | Orange/ red fall foliage | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Food for bees, mammals, and birds; thicket-forming; good for wildscapes |
| Goldenball Leadtree <i>Leucaena retusa</i> | 1 | 12'-15' | 12-15' | Sun/part shade | D | April to October | Gold | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | 1" round globes; fragrant; blooms fairly fast growing; airy foliage casts light shade for underplantings; deer browse leaves |
| Mexican Buckeye <i>Ungnadia speciosa</i> | 1 | 15-25' | 15-25' | Sun/part shade | D | Early spring | Pink | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy right after bloom | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | 1" bloom; fragrant; multi-trunk; shrubby; does well as understory plant |
| Mexican Plum <i>Prunus mexicana</i> | 1 | 15-25' | 8-10' | Sun/part shade | D | Spring | White | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Edible fruit; needs good drainage and fair amount of soil; short-lived |
| Mountain Laurel, Texas <i>Sophora secundiflora</i> | 1 | 12-20' | 8-10' | Sun/part shade | E | Spring | Purple | VL | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Showy flowers with strong grape bubble gum fragrance; poisonous seeds; needs good drainage; occasional caterpillar problems |
| Pomegranate <i>Punica granatum</i> | 2 | 10' | 8' | Sun/ part shade | D | | Orange flowers; yellow fall color | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | | ✓ | | Bears edible fruit |
| Possumhaw Holly <i>Ilex decidua</i> | 1 | 12-15' | 12' | Sun/part shade | D | | | M | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Striking red berries on bare branches in winter |
| Red Buckeye <i>Aesculus pavia</i> | 1 | 10-20' | 10-20' | Sun/ part shade | D | Early to late spring | Bright red flowers | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy right after bloom | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Flashy bloomer; appropriate for wildscapes; provides wildlife food but is toxic to humans; loses leaves in late summer; best as understory tree |
| Redbud, Mexican <i>Cercis canadensis 'mexicana'</i> | 1 | 20' | 8' | Sun | D | Early spring | Pinkish purple | VL | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Twigs and petioles covered with dense fuzz; leaves have wavy edges; likes well drained sites; more drought tolerant and smaller than Texas Redbud |
| Redbud, Texas <i>Cercis canadensis var. texensis</i> | 1 | 10-25' | 15' | Sun/part shade | D | Early spring | Pinkish purple | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Can be short lived; Mexican Redbud is smaller; has shiny leaves; look for true Texas Redbud because eastern variety is less adapted |

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| Retama Jerusalem Thorn <i>Parkinsonia aculeata</i> | 2 | 12-15' | 12-15' | Part shade/ sun | D | Spring to fall | Yellow | VL | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓ | | | Tolerant of dry soils; fragrant blooms; green trunk and branches; seeds out; root suckers; thorns; fast growing, short-lived |
| Roughleaf Dogwood <i>Cornus drummondii</i> | 1 | 12'-15' | 12' | Sun/ part shade | D | Spring | White; fall color | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Easier to grow than Eastern Dogwood; susceptible to leaf spot fungus; recommended for wildscape; thicket-forming; good nectar and seed source |
| Rusty Blackhaw Viburnum <i>Viburnum rufidulum</i> | 1 | 12'-15' | 10' | Sun/part shade | D | Late Spring | White | L | Prune for shape or to raise canopy right after bloom | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Good understory tree; for deeper, well-drained soils; slow-growing; yellow, orange, and red fall color |
| Sago Palm <i>Cycas revoluta</i> | 2 | 4-10' | 5-8' | Sun/ part shade | E | Summer | no major landscape value | M | Cover in freezing conditions; cut back freeze injured foliage in late winter | | | ✓ | Flat to mounding rosette merging into a thick, stocky, short trunk; dense crown of stiff, course textured leaves finely divided |
| Senna, Flowering <i>Cassia corymbosa</i> | 2 | 8' | 8-10' | Sun | D | Summer to fall | Yellow | L | Prune for shape or to raise canopy right after bloom | | ✓ | ✓+ | Dark green leaves; showy bloomer; susceptible to extremely cold weather |
| Senna, Lindheimer <i>Cassia lindheimeriana</i> | 1 | 4' | 4' | Part shade/ sun | D | Late summer to fall | Yellow | L | Prune for shape right after bloom | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Needs good drainage; gray foliage; very tolerant of poor, rocky soils |
| Spartan Juniper <i>Juniperus chinensis</i> 'Spartan' | 2 | 12-15' | 4-5' | Sun/part shade | E | | Rich green foliage | M | | | | | Specimen plant; very hardy; fast growing; conical/pyramidal shape; dense branches |
| Texas Pistachio <i>Pistacia texana</i> | 1 | 12-20' | 15-20' | Sun/ part shade | D | Spring | White | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | | Excellent hedge; blooms followed by red 4-6" fruit clusters on female plants only; birds like red berries |
| Yaupon Holly <i>Ilex vomitoria</i> | 1 | 15' | 10-15' | Sun/part shade | E | Winter | Red berries | L | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Small shade tolerant tree; females produce red berries in winter that attract birds; free of insects and diseases; poisonous |

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| SHRUBS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Agarita <i>Berberis trifoliata</i> | 1 | 3-7' | 6' | Sun/part shade | E | Feb-April | Yellow | L | Prune for a natural look; shaping not necessary | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Prickly leaves (not pedestrian friendly), fragrant flowers, edible, red berries in spring; bluish-green, holly-like foliage; excellent nesting shrub for birds |
| Agave Century Plant <i>Agave sp.</i> | 1 | 1-6' | 1-6' | Sun | E | | | L | Prune old bloom stalks at base | ✓+ | | ✓+ | Many types and sizes; lives long but dies after blooming; choose location with caution because leaves have long, sharp spines; some types native to Texas |
| Althea <i>Hibiscus syriacus</i> | | to 12' | to 6' | full sun/ part shade | N | Summer | | M | Prune for shape only (shrubs & trees) &/or to raise canopy (trees). | | | | litter; insects and sooty mold problems in shady areas |
| American Beautyberry <i>Callicarpa americana</i> | 2 | 4-6' | 6' | Part shade/ shade | D | | Purple fruit | M | Shaping not usually necessary | ✓+ | ✓ | | Attractive berries in fall and winter; needs deeper soil; wildlife food; prefers dependable moisture |
| Arrowwood <i>Viburnum dentatum</i> | | 10' | 5' | sun | N | Fall | Magenta | L | Pick prune the 'wild hairs' for a natural look, shaping not necessary. (shrubs, trees) | | * | * | 1/2 inch spikes |
| Artemisia <i>Artemisia 'Powis Castle'</i> | 1 | 1' | 3-6' | Sun | E | | | L | Prune removing top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to a 3" height in mid-winter | | | ✓+ | Aromatic, lace-like gray foliage; berries are beautiful |
| Barbados Cherry <i>Malpighia glabra</i> | 1 | 3' | 2' | Sun/part shade | E | March to Dec. | White to pale pink | M | Prune to shape only; responds well to shaping | ✓+ | ✓ | | 1/2" delicate, crepe-paper flowers followed by red berries that attract birds |
| Barberry, Japanese <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> | | 3-6' | 4-7' | sun/part shade | Y | Fall | Red fruit and varied leaf color | M | | | | | thorny; <i>B. thunbergii</i> and <i>B. verruculosa</i> are fairly disease- free |
| Barberry, Japanese <i>Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea'</i> | 2 | 4-6' | 4-6' | Sun/part shade | D | | | M | Minimal pruning only to maintain natural arching shape | | | | Colorful burgundy foliage; dense form with thorns; best color in full sun; needs good drainage; dwarf form (to 2') also available |
| Basket Grass (Sacahuista) <i>Nolina texana</i> | 1 | 2' | 3' | Sun/part shade | E | Fall | Cream- colored plume | L | Remove old bloom stalks at base | ✓+ | | ✓+ | Grass-like mounding form effective on slopes; keep away from walkways as leaves have sharp edges |
| Black Dalea <i>Dalea frutescens</i> | 1 | 1-3' | 3' | Sun | D | Fall | Purple | L | Prune removing top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves; mulch for winter | ✓+ | ✓ | | Requires little water, long roots will find water some distance away; excellent nectar source |
| Bush Germander <i>Teucrium fruticans</i> | 2 | 4-6' | 4-6' | Sun or shade | D | Summer | Lavendar/ blue flowers | L | Prune the 'wild hairs' for a natural look, shaping not necessary | | | ✓ | Don't overwater; perennial; attractive, silvery gray-green foliage; smaller, compact varieties available |
| Butterfly Bush <i>Buddleja davidii</i> | 2 | 5' | 5' | Sun/part shade | D | Summer and Fall | White, pink, violet, purple | M | Pick prune the 'wild hairs' for a natural look, shaping not necessary | ✓ | | | Long bloom spikes are aromatic; prone to mite problems; attracts butterflies |

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| Butterfly Bush, Woolly <i>Buddleja marrubiifolia</i> | 1 | 5' | 5' | Sun | D | Summer | Orange | L | Pick prune the 'wild hairs' for a natural look, shaping not necessary | ✓+ | ✓ | | Interesting 1/2" flower; peach-fuzz type foliage; needs good drainage; attracts butterflies; native to south Texas |
| Coralberry <i>Symphoricarpos orbiculatus</i> | 2 | 2-3' | 3' | Part shade | D | Winter | Magenta berries | M | Prune removing top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves; then mulch | ✓+ | ✓ | | Attractive fleshy berries in late fall and winter; spreads by runners; susceptible to powdery mildew; needs moist soil with compost added |
| Cotoneaster <i>Cotoneaster sp.</i> | 2 | 3-5' | 4-6' | Sun/shade | E | | Red berries | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | ✓ | Silver-gray to dark green foliage; attractive fleshy berries; susceptible to fire blight and spider mites |
| Esperanza/ Yellow Bells <i>Tecoma stans</i> | 1 | 4'-5' | 5' | Sun/part shade | D | Summer through Fall | Yellow or orange | M | Remove spent blooms; prune to 3" after first frost, then mulch | ✓+ | | ✓ | Showy blooms ; native type has narrow leaves; 'Gold Star' is an improved variety with larger leaves; blooms even when small |
| Evergreen Sumac <i>Rhus virens</i> | 1 | 8' | 8' | Sun or shade | E | Late summer | White | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Glossy leaves turn burgundy in cool season; fuzzy, orange/red berries provide food for birds and other wildlife |
| Flame Acanthus <i>Anisacanthus quadrifidus var. wrightii</i> | 1 | 4' | 4' | Sun/part shade | D | Summer to fall | Orange | M | Prune removing top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Attract hummingbirds and butterflies; readily re-seeds; can be used as a perennial hedge |
| Fragrant Sumac (Aromatic) <i>Rhus aromatica</i> | 1 | 3-6' | 4-6' | Sun/part shade | D | | Vibrant fall leaves | L | Prune the 'wild hairs' for a natural look, shaping not necessary | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Wildlife food; leaves confused with poison ivy |
| Glossy Abelia <i>Abelia grandiflora</i> | 2 | 6' | 6' | Sun | E | Summer to fall | White/pink | M | Prune the 'wild hairs' for a natural look, shaping not necessary | | | | Fast growth; tolerates city conditions well |
| Holly, Burford <i>Ilex cornuta 'Burfordii'</i> | 2 | 15-20' | 10-15' | Sun/part shade | E | Spring | White blooms; red berries | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary | | | ✓ | Susceptible to scale insects |
| Holly, Dwarf Burford <i>Ilex cornuta 'Burfordii Nana'</i> | 2 | 8' | 8' | Sun/part shade | E | Spring | White blooms; red berries | M | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | | | ✓ | Dwarf-type grows slower but still gets large; dense leaf coverage; susceptible to scale insects |
| Holly, Dwarf Chinese <i>Ilex cornuta 'Rotunda nana'</i> | 2 | 3-4' | 3-6' | Sun/shade | E | | | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | ✓ | Rigid leaves with sharp needle points; not pedestrian friendly |
| Holly, Dwarf Yaupon <i>Ilex vomitoria 'Nana'</i> | 1 | 2-4' | 2-4' | Sun/part shade | E | Summer | White | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | ✓ | | | Low, mounding shrub |
| Indian Hawthorne <i>Paphirolepis indica</i> | | 3-4' | 3-4' | sun | Y | | White or pink | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | * | Susceptible to fungal leaf spot |
| Kidneywood <i>Eysenhardtia texana</i> | 1 | 8-10' | 7' | Sun/part shade | D | Spring to fall | White | L | Prune immediately after bloom for shape only or to trim up into mini-tree form | ✓+ | ✓ | | Fragrant flowers attract butterflies; blooms off and on through the season; loose, airy foliage smells like citrus when crushed |
| Lantana, sp. <i>Lantana sp.</i> | 2 | 3-5' | 4-5' | Sun | D | Summer to fall | Pink and yellow | L | Cut top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to 3" height after first frost browns leaves; mulch | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Some types can be invasive; give lots of room; attracts butterflies, Varieties: 'New Gold', "Sterling", "Radiance" |

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| Lantana, Texas <i>Lantana horrida</i> | 1 | 3-5' | 4-5' | Sun | D | Summer to fall | Orange and yellow | L | Cut top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to 3" height after first frost browns leaves; mulch | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Prickly; give lots of room; attracts butterflies |
| Mistflower, White (Shrubby White Boneset) <i>Ageratina havanense</i> | 1 | 5' | 5' | Sun/part shade | D | Fall | White | M | Cut top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to 3" height after first frost browns leaves; mulch | ✓+ | ✓ | | Fragrant, white puffy flowers attract butterflies; good for poor, rocky conditions; large and arching branches |
| Mistflower, Blue Blue Boneset <i>Eupatorium coelestinum</i> | 1 | 1.5-3' | 2-3' | Sun/part shade | D | July- October | Lavender | M | Cut top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to 3" height after first frost browns leaves; mulch | ✓ | ✓ | | Attracts butterflies; prefers moist conditions; best in morning sun or part shade |
| Mountain Sage <i>Salvia regia</i> | 1 | 3-5' | 3-4' | Part shade | D | Late summer/ fall | Red to orange | M | Cut top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to 3" height after first frost browns leaves; mulch | ✓+ | ✓ | | 1" long blossoms; attracts hummingbirds; does best beneath taller shrub or tree that provides afternoon shade |
| Nandina (dwarf-types) <i>Nandina sp</i> | 2 | 3-6' | 2-4' | Sun/ shade | E | | | L | Prune older, fading shoots at ground level to promote new low growth | | | ✓ | Choose dwarf varieties only; tall, berrying types can be invasive and lack cool season orange to burgundy foliage color; may be chlorotic in high pH soils |
| Nandina, Gulf Stream <i>Nandina domestica</i> 'Gulf Stream' | 2 | 2' | 2' | | Y | | Orange and scarlet foliage | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | | smaller than the species but slightly larger than the dwarf form, 'Nana'; graceful, bamboo-like foliage |
| Nandina, Harbour Dwarf <i>Nandina domestica</i> 'Harbour Dwarf' | 2 | | | | Y | | | L | | | | | |
| Nandina, Moon Bay <i>Nandina domestica</i> 'Moon Bay' | 2 | | | | Y | | | L | | | | | |
| Nandina, Nana <i>Nandina domestica</i> 'nana' | 2 | 2' | | sun or shade | Y | | | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | * | different sizes available, may seed in the wild; will run and colonize quickly |
| Oleander <i>Nerium oleander</i> | 2 | 5-20' | 5-15' | Sun | E | Summer | Pinks, white, purple, lavender | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | ✓+ | May freeze; cut back cold damaged tops in late winter, all parts poisonous if eaten; susceptible to a bacterial blight; very deer resistant; can be used as an informal hedge/screen |
| Primrose Jasmine <i>Jasminum mesnyi</i> | 2 | 6' | 15' | Sun/part shade | E | Early spring to summer | Yellow | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary; can be hedge | | | ✓ | Very large, for hanging over walls or cliffs; good for erosion control |
| Prostrate/Common Juniper <i>Juniperus communis</i> | 2 | 2-5' | 7-13' | Sun | E | | Blue- green foliage | L | Prune to control spread | | | | Low growing; drought tolerant; can be invasive; |
| Rock Rose <i>Pavonia lasiopetala</i> | 1 | 2' | 3' | Sun or shade | D | Summer | Pink | L | Prune removing top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves; mulch | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Small shrub with 1.5" hibiscus-like blooms; more prone to powdery mildew in shade; very few blooms after spring; biennial; reseeds freely; attracts butterflies |
| Rose, Belinda's Dream <i>Rosa</i> ' <i>Belinda's Dream</i> ' | 2 | 4' | 4' | Sun | E | Spring to frost | Pink | M | Prefers drip or soaker hose irrigation | | | | Repeat bloomer; fragrant; disease tolerant; good shrub form with large blooms |
| Rose, Knock Out <i>Rosa</i> 'Knock Out' | 2 | 3' | 3' | Sun | E | Spring to frost | Red | M | Prefers drip or soaker hose irrigation | | | | Purplish new growth; repeat bloomer; new variety showing good disease resistance |

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| Rose, Livin' Easy <i>Rosa 'Livin' Easy'</i> | 2 | 4' | 3' | Sun | E | Spring to frost | Coral to orange | M | Prefers drip or soaker hose irrigation | | | | Repeat bloomer; new variety recommended showing good disease resistance; upright growth habit |
| Rose, Marie Pavie <i>Rosa 'Marie Pavie'</i> | 2 | 3' | 3' | Sun/ part shade | E | Spring to frost | White to pale pink | M | Prefers drip or soaker hose irrigation | | | | Antique rose; repeat bloomer; fragrant, double bloom; few thorns; disease tolerant |
| Rose, Mutabilis <i>Rosa 'Mutabilis'</i> | 2 | 6' | 8' | Sun | E | Spring to frost | Copper yellow to pink | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary; prefers drip or soaker hose irrigation | | | | Antique rose; very drought tolerant rose; copper yellow flowers turn to a pretty pink, repeat bloomer; disease resistant |
| Rose, Nearly Wild <i>Rosa 'Nearly Wild'</i> | 2 | 3' | 4' | Sun | E | Spring to frost | Deep pink | M | Prefers drip or soaker hose irrigation | | | | Single pink bloom; repeat bloomer; disease resistant; needs soil with compost added |
| Rose, Old Blush <i>Rosa 'Old Blush'</i> | 2 | 5' | 5' | Sun | E | Spring to frost | Deep pink | M | Prefers drip or soaker hose irrigation | | | | Antique rose; repeat bloomer; disease resistant |
| Rosemary <i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i> | 1 | 4' | 4-6' | Sun | E | On and off all year | Pale Blue | M | Prune for a natural look or shape as desired; cut back by 1/2 in winter to prevent leggy look | | | ✓+ | Culinary herb, upright shrub, trailing types also available; good drainage required; prone to disease problems in wet conditions |
| Sage, Texas <i>Leucophyllum frutescens</i> | 1 | 4-5' | 4-5' | Sun | E | Spring to summer | Lavender, purple, pink or white | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary; don't shear! | ✓+ | | ✓ | Gray leaves provide color contrast to lavender flowers; green-leaved varieties also available; blooms off and on through the growing season |
| Sotol, Texas <i>Dasyliirion texanum</i> | 1 | 2-3' | 4' | Sun | E | Early summer | Char-treuse to tan | L | Remove old bloom stalks at the base | ✓+ | | ✓ | Long blade-like leaves with sharp edges (not pedestrian friendly); needs space |
| Southern Wax Myrtle <i>Myrica cerifera</i> | 2 | 10'-12' | 15' | Full sun/ part shade | E | | | M | Prune for shape only or to raise canopy | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Fast-growing screen; grows best in deeper soils; wildlife food; root suckers; foliage aromatic when crushed |
| Spirea <i>Spiraea sp.</i> | | 3-10' | | sun/part shade | N | Spring to Fall | White in spring; pink, red or white summer to fall | M | | | | | easy to grow; bridal wreath type-clusters ; shrubby, <i>much lower-growing type-pink, red or white flowers summer to fall</i> |
| St. John's Wort <i>Hypericum frondosum (species?)</i> | | | | | Y | | Yellow | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | * | showy flowers |
| Turk's Cap <i>Malvaviscus arboreus</i> | 1 | 4-6" | 5' | Sun or shade | D | Summer | Red | L | Prune to keep confined or when leggy | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Fruit for wildlife, colonizing; susceptible to freeze; can be invasive |
| Wax Myrtle, Dwarf <i>Myrica pusilla</i> | 2 | 5' | 5' | Sun/part shade | E | | | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | ✓ | | | Tough, adaptable shrub makes a good 4'-6' screen; foliage aromatic when crushed |
| Yucca, Paleleaf <i>Yucca pallida</i> | 1 | 1' | 2' | Sun/part shade | E | Summer | White | L | Remove old bloom stalk at the base | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Leaves pale blue-green; deer will eat blooms but not foliage |
| Yucca, Red <i>Hesperaloe parviflora</i> | 1 | 2-4' | 4' | Sun | E | Spring to Summer | Coral spike | L | Remove old bloom stalks at the base | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | May colonize; deer will eat blooms but not foliage; attracts hummingbirds |
| Yucca, Softleaf <i>Yucca recurvifolia</i> | 1 | 4-6' | 3' | Sun/part shade | E | Summer | White to pale green | L | Remove old bloom stalks at the base | ✓ | | ✓ | Soft, pliable foliage; deer eat blooms but not foliage |
| Yucca, Twistleaf <i>Yucca rupicola</i> | 1 | 1-2' | 2' | Sun/part shade | E | Summer | White | L | Remove old bloom stalks at the base; divide if crowded | ✓+ | | ✓+ | Old leaves are twisted; deer eat blooms but not foliage |

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| VINES, GROUNDCOVER | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Asian Jasmine <i>Trachelospermum asiaticum</i> | 2 | 10-18" | 20-25' | Sun/part shade | E | | | M | Prune to 4" height in February | | | | Vining groundcover; may burn in full sun; suppresses weed plants |
| Aztec Grass <i>Ophiopogon japonicus</i> | 2 | 1' | 1-1.5' | Part shade/ shade | E | | | M | Cut back to 3" in February | | | | Groundcover; similar to Liriope with white variegated leaves; no pests or diseases |
| Carolina Jessamine <i>Gelsemium sempervirens</i> | 1 | to 20' | 10' | Sun/part shade | E | Early Spring | Yellow | M | Prune annually to limit spread; prune only to direct and control growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Vine; very aggressive; fragrant bright yellow flower in late winter-early spring; attracts hummingbirds |
| Coral Honeysuckle <i>Lonicera sempervirens</i> | 1 | | 12' | Sun/part shade | E | Spring to summer | Coral | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Vine; coral tubular blooms on evergreen vines attract hummingbirds; can be used as a shrub |
| Coral Vine <i>Antigonon leptopus</i> | 2 | | 30-40' | Sun/part shade | D | Late summer and fall | White or rose-pink | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary | | ✓ | | Vine; small flowers ; rapidly growing climber that holds on by tendrils, quickly covers adjacent plants and structures; attracts butterflies; dies back each winter |
| Crossvine <i>Bignonia capreolata</i> | 1 | | to 50' | part shade/ shade | E | Summer | Brick-red with yellow throat or coral | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Vine; very aggressive; prune annually; high climber; 'Tangerine Beauty' variety has bright coral blooms; attracts hummingbirds |
| English Ivy <i>Hedera helix</i> | 2 | 30-40' | 6-10" | shade | Y | | Bright yellow | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | | vine/groundcover; very aggressive; prune annually; fragrant flower |
| Fig Vine <i>Ficus pumila</i> | 2 | | to 60'+ | Full sun/ part shade | E | Summer | | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | | Vine; may become pest if growth not controlled; free of insects and disease pests; susceptible to very hard freezes |
| Horseherb <i>Calyptocarpus vialis</i> | 2 | 8-10" | | Part shade/ shade | E | Spring to fall | Yellow | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | ✓+ | | ✓ | Groundcover; recommended for revegetation; abundant in shady areas and lawns |
| Japanese Honeysuckle <i>Lonicera japonica</i> | | 20-30' | | Sun or shade | E | | | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | * | Groundcover; can be invasive, use on slopes for erosion control |
| Lady Banksia Rose <i>Rosa banksiae</i> | 2 | | 20+' | Full sun | E | Spring | White to yellow | M | Prune after spring bloom to control and direct growth | | | | Vine; fast growing; climbing; requires sturdy support; relatively free of pests associated with most roses |
| Leadwort Plumbago <i>Cerastigma plumbaginoides</i> | 2 | 6-12" | 3-5' | Sun/ part shade | E | Summer | Blue | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | ✓ | Groundcover; deep blue flowers and green foliage with burgundy tinge |
| Liriope <i>Liriope muscari</i> | 2 | 12-18" | 12" | Part shade to shade | E | | Purple Spikes | M | Prune yellow or unattractive foliage | | | | Groundcover; clump-like evergreen foliage |
| Monkey Grass (Mondo Grass) <i>Ophiopogon japonicus</i> | 2 | 4-8" | 12+" | Sun to part shade | E | | | M | Prune yellow or unattractive foliage | | | ✓ | Groundcover; fertile, well- drained soil; clusters of flowers close to the leaves; dwarf form also available |
| Oregano <i>Organum vulgare</i> | 2 | 4" | 4' | Sun | E | Summer | White to rosy pink | M | Prune removing top 1/2 at end of May. Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves. | | | ✓ | Groundcover; sprawling plant; pungently aromatic; flavorful leaves used in cooking |
| Passion Vine <i>Passiflora incarnata</i> | 2 | 7' | 3-4' | Full sun/ part shade | D | Mid- summer to fall | Lavender or red | M | Prune only to direct and control growth | ✓ | ✓ | | Vine; perennial; zebra long wing and Julia butterfly caterpillars may defoliate; exotic flower; fast growth |

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| Periwinkle, Littleleaf <i>Vinca minor</i> | 2 | 10-12" | 25+' | Partial shade | E | Summer | White, blue or purple | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | ✓ | Vining groundcover |
| Pigeonberry <i>Rivina humilis</i> | 2 | 1-1.5' | 2' | Part shade/ shade | D | Spring to fall | White/ Pink | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Groundcover; spreads rapidly; tolerates moist or dry soil; attractive red berries are prized by birds |
| Purple Heart <i>Secreasea pallida</i> | 2 | 1' | 8+' | Sun to part shade | E | Summer | Purple leaves and flowers | L | Keep confined by pruning | | | | Groundcover; invasive |
| Santolina (Lavender Cotton) <i>Santolina chamaecyparissus</i> | 2 | 1-2' | 1-2' | Sun | E | Spring | Yellow | VL | Prune unattractive foliage | | | ✓+ | Shrubby groundcover; fine textured, aromatic evergreen foliage; requires excellent drainage; not long-lived; gray or green leaf varieties |
| Sedge, Berkeley <i>Carex tumulicola</i> | 2 | 1' | 1' | Sun to shade | E | Summer | Yellow | L | Prune unattractive foliage | | | ✓ | Groundcover; excellent evergreen grass-like; needs occasional moisture |
| Sedge, Meadow <i>Carex perdentata</i> | 1 | 1-1.5' | 1.5' | Sun to part shade | E | Summer | | L | Prune unattractive foliage | ✓+ | | ✓ | Groundcover; excellent evergreen grass-like foliage; drought tolerant |
| Sedge, Texas <i>Carex texensis</i> | 1 | 6-8" | 8" | Shade | E | Summer | | L | Prune unattractive foliage | ✓+ | | ✓ | Groundcover; small enough to plant in between stone walkways and tough enough for turf; will take traffic |
| Sedum (Stonecrop) <i>Sedum nuttallianum</i> | 2 | 6" | 1' | Shade to sun | E | Summer | White | L | Prune unattractive foliage | ✓+ | | ✓ | Groundcover; rock garden plant |
| Sweet Autumn Clematis <i>Clematis paniculata</i> | 2 | 20-30' | | Full sun | D | Fall | White | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | | | Vine; evergreen; vigorous; silvery fruiting plumes; fragrance; pest free |
| Trumpet Vine <i>Campsis radicans</i> | 2 | | 20-30' | Sun or shade | D | Summer | Orange/ coral | L | Prune to control growth | ✓+ | ✓ | | Vine; attracts hummingbirds; trumpet shape flower; invasive; pick up seed pods; 'Madame Galen' or 'Georgia' are among the available varieties |
| Virginia Creeper <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> | 1 | | to 25+' | Sun or shade | D | | Scarlet fall foliage | L | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Vine; adaptable deciduous vine; vigorous cover; pest free |

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| ORNAMENTAL GRASSES | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bamboo Muhly <i>Muhlenbergia dumosa</i> | 1 | 5-6' | 3-4' | Sun/part shade | E | Winter | Purple | L | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | | ✓ | ✓+ | Tall, bushy growth |
| Big Bluestem <i>Andropogon gerardii</i> | 2 | 3-6' | 3' | Sun | E | Fall | Bluish leaves to rust in fall | L | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Reseeds; more appropriate in meadow, prairie or wetland |
| Big Muhly <i>Muhlenbergia linheimeri</i> | 1 | 2-5' | 3' | Sun/part shade | D | Fall | White 6' stalk | L | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Good substitute for pampas grass, feather-like blooms in fall |
| Deer Muhly <i>Muhlenbergia rigens</i> | 2 | 1' | 1' | Sun | D | Fall | Tiny, wispy heads | L | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Dense clump grass |
| Dwarf Fountain Grass <i>Pennisetum alopecuroides</i> | 2 | 3' | 2' | Sun | D | Fall | White seed heads | M | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | | | | Ornamental with tufts of seed heads; needs moisture in dry periods |
| Gulf Muhly <i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i> | 1 | 2-1/2' | 2' | Sun/part shade | D | Fall | Pink feathery seed heads | L | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Reseeds; more appropriate in meadow, prairie or wetland |
| Indian Grass <i>Sorghastrum nutans</i> | 2 | 3-5' | 5' | Sun | D | Fall | Bright gold | L-H | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Tall seed heads in fall; reseeds; more appropriate in meadow, prairie or wetland |
| Inland Sea oats <i>Chasmanthium latifolium</i> | 1 | 2-4' | 6-8' | Part shade/ shade | D | Summer and fall | Ivory seeds | L-H | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Graceful, drooping wheat-like seed heads, spreads freely; appropriate for woodland; good understory plant; prefers moist areas |
| Little Bluestem <i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> | 2 | 3-4' | 1-1/2' | Sun | D | Fall | White seed tufts in fall | L | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Prairie plant appropriate in mass plantings; reseeds; more appropriate in meadow, prairie or wetland |
| Mexican Feathergrass (Wiregrass) <i>Stipa tenuissima</i> | 1 | 2' | 2' | Sun | D | | | M | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Elegant weeping form; very drought tolerant; reseeds; more appropriate in meadow, prairie or wetland |
| Pampas Grass <i>Cortaderia selloana</i> | 1 | 6-10' | 6-10' | Sun | E | Late summer and fall | Large 30" white plumes | L | Cut back foliage in late winter in areas where foliage is winter killed | | | ✓ | Large, dense, mounding fountainlike clumps of fine- textured, graceful, arching leaves; sharp leaves; size and spread is hard to control once established |
| Seep Muhly <i>Muhlenbergia reverchonii</i> | 2 | 1-3' | 2' | Sun | D | Fall | Tiny blooms | L- M | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Mostly found in limestone prairies growing in low-lying wet areas; reseeds; more appropriate in meadow, prairie or wetland |
| Sideoats Grama <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> | 2 | 2-3' | 1' | Sun/part shade | D | Fall | | L | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | State grass of Texas, side hanging seed pods; easy to grow from seed; drought tolerant; reseeds; more appropriate in meadow or prairie |
| Switch Grass <i>Punica virgatum</i> | 2 | 6' | 4' | Sun/part shade | D | Fall | Reddish tint | L-H | Cut back to 8" height prior to new spring growth | ✓ | ✓ | ✓+ | Upright, tall habit; usually has a reddish tint; prefers moist areas; reseeds; more appropriate in meadow, prairie or wetland |
| Wild Rye <i>Elymus canadensis</i> | 2 | 3' | 2' | Sun/part shade | D | Winter | Blue- green seedhead s | L | Cut back in summer | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Dormant in summer; green in winter; reseeds; more appropriate in meadow or prairie |

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| "Native Grass Mix" | <p>Seed Mixture and Rate of Application for Broadcast Seeding:</p> <p>Establishment period from September 15 to March 1, seeding shall be with a combination of:</p> <p>8 lbs. per acre of Side Oats Grama (<i>Bouteloua Curtipendula</i>) 8 lbs. per acre of Little Bluestem (<i>Schizachyrium Scoparium</i>) 8 lbs. per acre of Indian Grass (<i>Sorghastrum Nutans</i>) 2 lbs. per acre of Lovegrass (<i>Eragrostis Intermedia</i>) 2 lbs. per acre of Southwest Bristlegrass (<i>Setaria Scheelei</i>) 11 lbs. per acre of Buffalograss "Topgun" (<i>Buchloe Dactyloides</i>)</p> <p>with a purity of 95% with 90% germination.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Turf Grasses | <p>Jammur' Zoysia Hybrid Bermuda St. Augustine Buffalo Grass - not desired for highly mainicured look</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| FLOWERING PERENNIALS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Black-eyed Susan <i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> | 1 | 1-2' | 1-2' | Sun or shade | D | Summer | Yellow with dark centers | M | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves; MULCH FOR WINTER | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | 3" daisy-like blooms in summer; seed sown in fall or spring; butterfly nectar |
| Blackfoot Daisy <i>Melampodium leucanthum</i> | 1 | 6-12" | 1-1.5' | Sun | D | Spring and summer | White with yellow | VL | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves; hates overhead watering | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Short daisy-like blooms all spring and summer; will rot if kept moist; nectar |
| Bulbine <i>B. frutescens</i> or <i>caulescens</i> | 1 | 2' | 2.5' | Sun | E | Summer | Orange and yellow or yellow | L | Trim off old bloom stalks as they decline | | | | Aloe-like leaves; can freeze |
| Bush Morning Glory <i>Ipomoea leptophylla</i> | 2 | 7' | 7' | Sun | D | Summer | Lavender/violet | M | Prune only to trim long shoots and shape plant | ✓ | | | Tall, tender shrub; 6-8" Morning Glory-like blooms |
| Butterfly Weed <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> | 1 | 2-5' | 1' | Sun or shade | D | Summer | Orange/yellow | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Flowers attract Monarch butterflies; reseeds freely; short-lived; perennial only in mild winter |
| Butterfly Weed, Mexican (Tropical Milkweed) <i>Asclepias currasavica</i> | 1 | 3-4' | 1-2' | Sun or part shade | D | Summer to fall | Yellow or orange and yellow | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | | ✓ | | Flowers attract Monarch butterflies; foliage is good larval food for Monarchs; reseeds freely; short-lived |
| Cast Iron Plant <i>Aspidistra elatior</i> | 2 | 3' | 2-3' | Shade | E | | | L | Remove damaged foliage to 3" height in spring | | | ✓ | Long green leaves; requires shade; good, slow-growing understory plant |
| Chile Pequin <i>Capsicum annuum</i> | 1 | 2-4' | 2-4' | Sun/part shade | D | | White | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May and to a 3" height after first frost brown leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Peppers are very hot!; perennial only in mild winter; reseeds |
| Cigar Plant <i>Cuphea micropetala</i> | 2 | 2-4' | 3' | Full sun | D | Summer to frost | Orange and yellow | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May and to a 3" height after first frost brown leaves | | ✓ | | Great hummingbird plant |
| Columbine, Red <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> | 1 | 2' | 2' | Part shade/shade | D | Spring | Red | M | Prune off spent foliage and seedheads in late May | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Likes dry shade; reseeds to return in cool season; susceptible to leaf miners; highly attractive to hummingbirds |
| Columbine, Yellow <i>Aquilegia chrysantha</i> var. <i>hinkleyana</i> | 1 | 2' | 2' | Part shade/shade | D | Spring | Yellow | M | Prune off spent foliage and seedheads in late May | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Pretty flowers; likes dry shade; reseeds to return in cool season; native to Big Bend; susceptible to leaf miners; attractive to some hummingbirds |
| Copper Canyon Daisy <i>Tagetes lemmonii</i> | 1 | 3' | 4' | Sun | D | Fall | Yellow | L | Prune to the size mound you want | | | ✓+ | Daisy-like flower; strongly scented leaves; native to Mexico; runners root |
| Coreopsis <i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i> | 2 | 1-1.5' | 1-1/2-2' | Sun/ part shade | D | Spring to Summer | Yellow | M | Prune off old blooms for repeated flowering | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Cheerful flowers; native to east and southeast Texas; butterfly plant |
| Damianita <i>Chrysactina mexicana</i> | 1 | 1-2' | 2-3' | Sun | E | Spring and some summer | Golden yellow | L | Prune early spring and late summer to shape | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Drought hardy and aromatic foliage; mainly blooms in spring, on and off through summer; needs good drainage; native to west Texas |

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| Daylily <i>Hemerocallis fulva</i> | | to 4' in bloom | | sun | | Summer to early fall | Orange, yellow, pink, red, brown, green | M | Remove old bloom stalks, prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves. | | | | strap-like leaves, large, erect, funnelto bell-shaped blooms; susceptible to aphids and thrips |
| Fall Aster <i>Aster oblongifolius</i> | 1 | 2-4' | 3-4' | Sun/part shadesha de | D | Fall | Purple/ Lavender | M | Prune topy 1/2 at end of May and to a 3 height after hard frost | ✓+ | ✓ | | Delicate fall flowers; nectar source |
| Fan Flower <i>Scaevola aemula</i> | | | | sun/part shade | | | | M | | | | | spreading tender perennial |
| Fern, Holly <i>Cyrtomium falcatum</i> | 2 | 2-3' | 3' | Shade | E | | | M | Prune to 3" height after frost or in late winter | | | | Likes shady, moist areas |
| Fern, River <i>Thelypteris kunthii</i> | 2 | 2-3' | 3' | Shade | D | | | M | Prune to 6" above ground after first hard freeze; mulch well | ✓ | | | Likes shady, moist areas |
| Firebush <i>Hamelia patens</i> | 1 | 2-2.5' | | Sun | D | Summer to Fall | Orange- red flower; burgundy leaves in fall | M | Prune to 6" above ground after first hard freeze; mulch well | | ✓ | | Fiery leaves and flowers; turn bluish red in autumn; attracts hummingbirds; native to Mexico; needs regular moisture to establish |
| Gaura <i>Gaura lindheimeri</i> | 1 | 2' | 3' | Sun | D | Spring to Summer | Pink or white/pink | L | Prune to 6" above ground after first hard freeze; mulch well | ✓+ | | ✓ | Tall flower spikes adorned with 1 flowers that appear as fluttering butterflies in the wind |
| Gayfeather <i>Liatris mucronata</i> | 1 | 1-3' | 1-1-1/2' | Sun | D | Aug. to Dec. | Purple to rose pink | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May and to a 3" height after first frost brown leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Purple, 4-9" spikes; likes well- drained limestone soil; great source of nectar for hummingbirds and insects |
| Gregg Dalea <i>Dalea greggii</i> | 1 | 4-9" | 6-12" | Full sun | E | Late spring to fall | Purple | L | Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves (perennial). | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Silvery blue-green leaves; dry soil; winter-hardy; may also be used as a groundcover; primary bloom period in fall; nectar source |
| Hibiscus, Perennial <i>Hibiscus moscheutos</i> <i>Hibiscus coccineus</i> | 1 | 4' | 4' | Full sun | D | Summer to frost | Bright red blooms | L | Cut to 6" after first hard freeze | ✓+ | | | Showy bloom; choose varieties such as 'Flare', 'Moy Grande', 'Lord Baltimore', and 'Texas Star' |
| Hibiscus, Heartleaf <i>Hibiscus cardiophyllus</i> | 1 | 3-5' | 3-5' | sun or shade | | Summer | Red | L | Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves (perennial). | * | | | |
| Hibiscus, Lord Baltimore <i>Hibiscus 'Lord Baltimore'</i> | 1 | 5' | 5' | full sun | | Summer to frost | Red | L | | | | | showy bloom; lobed leaves |
| Hibiscus, Moy Grande <i>Hibiscus 'Moy Grande'</i> | 1 | 5' | 5' | full sun | | Summer to early fall | Pink | L | Remove old blooms and developing seed pods to encourage reblooming | | | | largest hibiscus blooms; |
| Hibiscus, Texas Star <i>Hibiscus 'Texas Star'</i> | 1 | | | | | | | M | | | | | |
| Hymenoxys Four Nerve Daisy <i>Tetranneuris scaposa</i> | 1 | 1' | 18" | Sun/part shade | E | March to June and Sept. to Oct. | Yellow | L | Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Daisy-like blooms grow from small gray-green tuft; needs good drainage; highly drought tolerant; nectar; small birds eat seeds |
| Indigo Spires <i>Salvia 'Indigo Spires'</i> | 1 | 3' | 5' | Sun/part shade | D | All summer | Blue/ purple | M | Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Allow room to mound and spread |

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| Iris, Bearded <i>Iris albicans</i> | 2 | 1-1-1/2' | 3+ | Sun | E | Spring | Many | M | Clean out in January; divide in fall | | | ✓ | Flowers with stunning blooms in many colors; spreads slowly; needs well drained soil; old cemetery iris is tougher and tolerates shade |
| Iris, Butterfly/Bicolor (African) <i>Dietes sp</i> | 2 | 4' | 2-3' | Sun/ part shade | E | Spring to early summer | White with yellow or purple-blue markings | L | Prune ragged foliage; divide clumps every 3-5 years | | | ✓ | Individual flowers last one day; forms clumps of long, narrow iris-like foliage |
| Jerusalem Sage <i>Phlomis fruticosa</i> | 2 | 2-3' | 3' | Sun | E | Summer | Yellow | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | | | ✓ | Unusual flowers; multi-tiered; attractive gray green foliage |
| Lantana <i>Lantana x hybrida</i> (many varieties) | 2 | 2' | 4' | Full sun | D | Spring to frost | Yellow | M | Prune for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | ✓ | ✓ | May be used as a groundcover; hummingbird delight; low maintenance; prolific blooming |
| Lantana, Trailing <i>Lantana montevidensis</i> | 2 | 1' | 4' | Full sun/part shade | D | Spring to Frost | Lavender/ purple, white | L | Prune in late winter for a natural look, shaping not necessary. | | ✓ | ✓ | May be used as a groundcover; very tolerant of poor, dry sites; resistant to lantana lacebugs; attracts butterflies |
| Mexican Honeysuckle <i>Justicia spicigera</i> | 2 | 2' | 4' | Sun/part shade | E | Spring to frost | Orange | L | Prune back as needed to encourage fullness | | ✓ | ✓ | Hummingbird plant; very tidy, mounding plant |
| Mexican Mint Marigold <i>Tagetes lucida</i> | 2 | 2-1/2' | 2' | Sun/part shade | D | Fall | Yellow/ orange | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | | | ✓+ | Anise-flavored culinary herb; spreads over time |
| Mexican Oregano <i>Poliomntha longiflora</i> | 2 | 8" | 3' | Sun | E | Summer | Lavender/ pink | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | | | ✓+ | Aromatic foliage; brown, withering flower stays on plant |
| Pink Skullcap <i>Scutellaria suffrutescens</i> | 1 | 8"-1' | 2' | Sun/part shade | D | Summer | Dark pink | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Low growing; very tidy mounding plant; attracts small, nectaring insects |
| Plumbago <i>Plumbago auriculata</i> | 2 | 4' | 6' | Sun/ part shade | D | Summer | Sky blue or white | M | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | | ✓ | ✓ | Light green foliage; does best with morning sun and afternoon shade; attracts hummingbirds |
| Primrose, Silverleaf <i>Oenothera macrocarpa</i> | 1 | 1-1.5' | 3' | sun/part shade | D | Spring to summer | Yellow | L | Prune to 3" after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Large yellow buttercup-like flower that close and fade to pink |
| Purple Coneflower <i>Echinacea purpurea</i> | 1 | 2' | a.5' | Sun/part shade | D | Spring to summer | Violet or white | M | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Daisy-like flowers; native and hybrid varieties available; good butterfly plant |
| Ruellia, Dwarf <i>Ruellia brittoniana</i> | 2 | 10" | 3' | Sun/part shade | D | Spring to summer | Blue/purple to pink | M | Prune to 3" after first frost browns leaves | ✓ | | ✓ | Dwarf variety include 'Katie' or 'Bonita'; reseeds profusely |
| Sage, Cedar <i>Salvia roemeriana</i> | 2 | 1-2' | 3' | Shade/part shade | D | Spring to summer | Red | L | Prune to 3" after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Reseeds freely; red bloom spikes bring color to shady spots; great for hummingbirds |
| Sage, Germander <i>Salvia chamaedyoides</i> | ? | 2' | | | | | | L | | | | | |

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| Sage, Majestic <i>Salvia guaranitica</i> | 2 | 4' | 5' | Sun to shade | D | Spring to Summer | Blue/purple | L | Prune to 3" after first frost browns leaves | | ✓ | ✓+ | Reseeds freely; attractive green foliage and spike blooms with long florets |
| Sage, Mealy Blue <i>Salvia farinacea</i> | 1 | 2' | 1-1' | Sun to part shade | D | Spring to Summer | Light blue or white | L | Prune to a 3" height after first frost browns leaves (perennial). | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Reseeds freely; wet conditions promote lanky growth; best kept on the dry side; attracts hummingbirds and some butterflies |
| Sage, Mexican Bush <i>Salvia leucantha</i> | 1 | 4' | 4' | Sun | D | Late summer to fall | Purple and white or solid purple | L | Prune by 1/2 in May, then to a 3" height after first frost | | | ✓+ | Silver-green lance-like foliage; attractive mounding plant form if pruned in May; brittle stems |
| Sage, Penstemon Big Red Sage <i>Salvia penstemonoides</i> | 2 | 3-4' | 1-2' | Sun to part shade | D | Summer to Fall | Reddish Coral | M | Prune by 1/2 in May, then to a 3" height after first frost | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Hummingbirds love the tall, spiked blooms; attractive, glossy leaves |
| Sage, Russian <i>Perovskia atricplifolia</i> | 2 | 3' | 3' | Sun | D | Late Summer to Fall | Blue | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves; remove old bloom spikes | | | ✓+ | Lacey leaves and blue flowers; spiky stalks |
| Sage, Scarlet or 'Tropical' <i>Salvia coccinea</i> | 2 | 1.5-2' | 2' | Shade | D | Late spring to fall | Red | M | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | Short-lived perennial; reseeds profusely; 'Lady in Red' a good dwarf variety; outstanding hummingbird plant; attracts butterflies; small birds eat seeds |
| Salvia, Gregg <i>Salvia greggii</i> | 1 | 2-3' | 2-3' | Sun/part shade | E | Spring to frost | Red, pink, white or coral | M | Cut back by 1/3 after first frost browns leaves; shear back in spring to encourage bushiness | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓+ | 1" long blooms; hummingbirds love them; can get leggy |
| Shrimp Plant <i>Justicia brandegeana</i> | 2 | 3' | 4' | Morning sun, afternoon shade | D | Spring to fall | Copper/bronze with white | L | Shear back in spring to encourage bushiness, then leave along | | ✓ | ✓ | Prefers damp, well-drained soil; 3-6" long flowers provide season-long color; great hummingbird plant |
| Texas Betony <i>Stachys coccinea</i> | 1 | 1-1.5' | 2-3' | Sun to shade | D | Summer to fall | Coral/red | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | | ✓+ | Constantly blooming groundcover; nice gray green foliage |
| Verbena, Prairie <i>Verbena bipinnatifida</i> | 2 | 6-12" | 2' | Sun | E | Spring to frost | Lavender | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Spreading habit; low growing groundcover with finely cut leaves; butterflies enjoy |
| Yarrow <i>Achillea millefolium</i> | 1 | 1-2' | 3' | Shade to sun | E | Late spring and summer | White, yellow, red, pink | M | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves; cut off old bloom stalks | | ✓ | ✓+ | Forms solid mat groundcover with finely-cut, fern-like leaves; butterflies enjoy nectar |
| Yarrow, Milfoil <i>Achillea millefolium</i> | 1 | 2-3' | | shade | Y | Late spring and summer | Varied | | | | | ** | old fashioned favorite, colors available |
| Zexmenia <i>Wedelia texana</i> | 1 | 1-1/2-2' | 3' | Sun/part shade | E | Spring to Frost | Orange/yellow | L | Prune top 1/2 at end of May, and to a 3" ht. after first frost browns leaves | ✓+ | ✓ | ✓ | Reseeds freely; blooms continuously though not profusely; use in combination with other blooming plants |